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In re patent application of first named inventor: Marc J. SABOURIN

Application No.: 08/907,687 Examiner: M. ALVO

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For: Method Pre-treating Lignocellulose Fiber  
Containing Material For The Pulp Making Process

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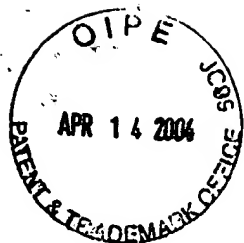
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflect in the listing of the claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.

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